# **FOCUS Newsletter**

## **Governor in Council appointments**

On May 10, 2018, Agriculture Minister Lawrence MacAulay announced three appointments to the FPCC. Mr. Brian Douglas begins his four-year term as the newly appointed Chairman and Deputy Head of the FPCC, effective June 11, 2018. Mr. Yvon Cyr joins the Council as a new member for a four-year term and, Mrs. Maryse Dubé returns for her second three-year term, which began on April 30.

These appointments were made following an open, transparent, and merit-based selection process. In addition, Minister MacAulay expressed his gratitude to Mike Pickard for all his hard work and leadership as Interim Chairman of the FPCC, as he returns to his role as Vice-Chair.

For Biographical Notes please use this <u>link</u>.

#### **FPCC Extraordinary meeting**

### <u> April 16, 2018</u>

The FPCC held an extraordinary meeting on April 16, 2018, via teleconference, where Council members received an update from staff on current files and considered the following agencies' proposed regulatory amendments:

#### Egg Farmers of Canada (EFC)

Council members approved EFC's proposed amendment to the *Canada Egg Marketing Levies Order* for the period of April 22, 2018 to March 31, 2019, which decreases the levy for the Pooled Income Fund (PIF) by \$0.0200 per dozen. The amendment decreases the PIF portion of the Levies Order to \$0.2640 per dozen resulting in a decrease of the national levy to \$0.2975 per dozen eggs. The decrease in levy is a result of the projected increase in revenue in the PIF due to higher Canadian processor prices relative to last year.

# Chicken Farmers of Canada (CFC)

Council members approved CFC's proposed amendments to the *Canadian Chicken Marketing Quota Regulations* for control periods A-151 and A-152, with a domestic allocation of 262,203,831 kg live weight for A-151 and 253,900,588 kg live weight for A-152.

#### **Levy Committee meeting**

#### <u> April 27, 2018</u>

The FPCC held a Levy Committee meeting on April 27, 208, where the Committee approved two proposed amendments to the *Canadian Broiler Hatching Egg Marketing Levies Order*. The first reflects an increase to Quebec's provincial levy from \$0.00430 to \$0.005190 per broiler hatching egg, resulting in a total levy for that province of \$0.008390 per broiler hatching egg; the second reflects the levy increase for broiler hatching eggs marketed between a non-signatory to a signatory province from \$0.0126257 to \$0.0127323 per broiler hatching egg. These amendments will take effect on the date of registration.

To view the decision letters, please follow this <u>link</u> to **FPCC's Web site**.

## **Other Business**

## FPCC staff update

After working the last 45 years as a public servant, **Pierre Bigras** took his well-deserved retirement on March 31, 2018. He was with FPCC for 30 years and during the last 8 years of his career, held the position of Manager, Regulatory Affairs as part of the Policy Analysis and Sectoral Operations Directorate. Pierre was a great asset to FPCC, government counterparts, and industry stakeholders, with his in-depth knowledge, as well as his vast experience of the federal regulatory process. The Council members and the FPCC staff thank him for being a great contributor to FPCC's work in supporting national agencies and wish him all the best in the next chapter of his life.

In addition, the FPCC is sad to announce the departure on May 25, 2018 of its Manager of Regulations and Policy Analysis, **Hélène Devost**. Hélène has decided to pursue another position with the Canada Border Services Agency. Since Hélène joined our organisation 11 years ago, she has been a valuable and well respected member of our staff. The work and contribution, including her vast experience in economics will be missed. Council members and FPCC staff wish her good luck in her new job and future ventures.

# <u>CPEPC Summer Convention</u>

The Canadian Poultry and Egg Processors Council (CPEPC) will host its 2018 Summer Convention at the Hotel Bonaventure Montreal from June 3 to 5. This year the keynote speaker will be Jean Charest. In addition, the business sessions will include the results of a Global Scan sponsored by the *Poultry Sustainability Value Chain Roundtable*, a presentation on *Blockchain Technology* and its application to businesses, and a trade update from Canada's negotiators.

meet with several industry representatives. To register or receive more information on CPEPC's 2018 convention please visit: <a href="https://www.cpepc.ca">www.cpepc.ca</a>.

Farm Products Council of Canada

During the conference, the FPCC will hold a Council meeting on June 5 and take this opportunity to













# Upcoming Meetings-2018

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30-31 Chicken Farmers of Canada Ottawa, ON

June 5

19-21 Turkey Farmers of Canada—Summer meeting Guelph, ON

**July** 8-11

8-11 Egg Farmers of Canada—Summer meeting Calgary, AB
17-19 Canadian Hatching Egg Producers—Summer meeting Halifax, NS
23-26 Chicken Farmers of Canada—Summer meeting Halifax, NS

August

8 Farm Products Council of Canada Conference Call
14-16 Canadian Beef Check-Off Agency London, ON

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